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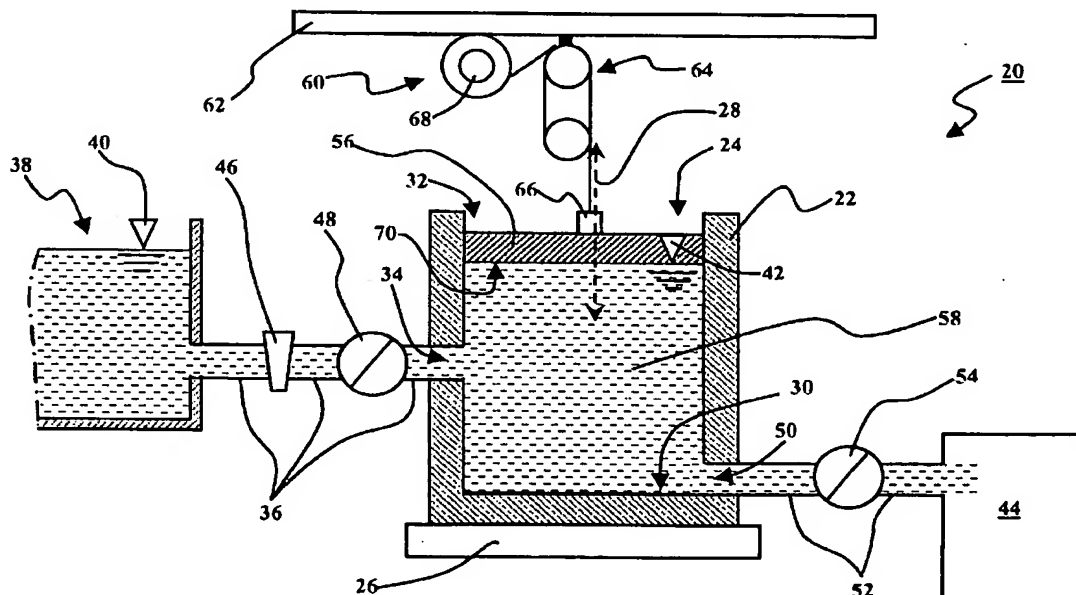
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tationally applying a force to and thereby pressurizing an enclosed pocket (58) of seawater, resulting in low energy utilisation. Energy
is further recovered from the flow of pressurized seawater that is supplied to the desalination system (20), resulting in a mechanically
robust and energy efficient pressurization system.